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The "Bloody Angle" of the A. E. F.

By William E. Moore

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UST within the stone wall marking the "Bloody Angle," atop Cemetery Ridge on the field of Gettysburg, there is a granite block marking the "high tide of the Confederacy." A few of Pickett's 5,000 brave Confederates fought their desperate pathway to that point in the famous charge against Hancock's men in the late afternoon of July 3, 1863. The retreat of the Confederate Army, which began there, did not cease until Lee sur-Some day there doubtless will be a

marker erected in France to be a r eternal witness to the "high tide" of the German advance against Paris in 1918. When that time comes the stone will be placed at Les Mares Farm nine miles north and west from Château - Thierry. There a battalion of United States Marines stopped the oncoming Germans at the point closest to Paris reached by any enemy soldiers in the last grand offensive before the Kaiser's legions turned tail and started for the Rhine.

In the rush of momentous events that crowded each other between that day in early June of 1918 when the American Second Division struck and hurled back the advancing Germans on the Paris-Metz road, the significance of what took place at Les Mares Farm from June 2-6, has been lost sight of. But when the real history of the final campaign of the World War comes to be written, when events are sifted and weighed against each other in the scholar's essay to evaluate their relative importance, what happened in and around Les Mares Farm will stand out as one of the chief points of interest in the American effort.

There also is a minor historic feature that marks the vicinage of Les Mares Farm as dear to Americans. It was there that some officer of the Second Battalion, Fifth Regiment of Marines,

It was at Les Mares Farm, the point nearest Paris reached by the Germans in 1918, that Marine rifles stopped the field gray tide

read to you a message written on the field which will throw light on the subject. This is the original message: June 3, 1918, 3:10 P.M.

say it. I hold in my hand and will

To: Battalion Commander, Second Battalion:

The French Major gave Captain Corbin written orders to fall back. I have countermanded the order. Kindly see that French do not shorten their artillery range. 82d and 84th Com-

panies are on their way to fill gap on right of this company. Lloyd W. Williams,

Capt. U.S. M.C.

"Captain Williams was the gallant commander of the 51st Company, Second Battalion, Fifth Regiment, who lost his life in action ten days later. Lieut.-Col. Frederick M. Wise, commanding the Second Battalion, received the message and confirmed it, using the em-phatic language phatic language generally quoted. I have no doubt that Captain Corbin and Captain Williams used some-what the same lan-

guage. Colonel Wise had been in the Marine Corps twenty years longer and naturally knew more about cussing than Captain Williams.

"It is quite clear that it was Captain

Williams who first refused to withdraw, and by asking that the artillery range be not shortened he gave the best proof he intended to stay. Captain Williams reported his action for confirmation to Colonel Wise who emphatically, if profanely, did confirm him. It may not have been right for either of them to give this reply, but it was an indication that they were conscious of the task given the Marine Brigade by Providence. That mission was to make plain to the world that America had entered the fight that Americans would entered the fight, that Americans would and could stand, that Americans could and would attack."

And that's that.

While on a visit to the headquarters



was attributed with uttering his famous:
"Retreat? Hell! I just got here."
The writer is no army M.P. to
adjudicate disputes between Marines so the settlement of that contention shall be left to the leathernecks themselves. In an address at the Marine Barracks, Washington, D. C., on June 30, 1921, Brig. Gen. Logan Feland, U.S.M.C., who as a colonel commanded the Fifth Marines, speaking of the historic refusal to retreat by an American officer,

"So many coy and modest denials of this language have been made that there is some confusion as to who did



Les Mares Farm and the wheatfields of the fighting-drawn from a photograph

of the Second Division at Montreuilaux-Lions, after the fighting was over, General Pershing exclaimed:

"The Gettysburg of the war has been

fought!"

A few details of the situation on June 1st are necessary to make clear the situation confronting the Allies and the Americans when the Marines made their stand at Les Mares Farm. The Germans jumped off from Chemin-des-Dames on their last big thrust on May In four days they had traveled 35 miles towards Paris. Their line was 22 miles long between Rheims and Soissons and, writes Maj. Edwin L. McClellan, Chief of the Historical Section, U.S.M.C., "A dagger-like salient was directed at the heart of Paris with the point resting at Les Mares Farm." The assaulting forces comprised the Seventh and First German Armies under the generalship of von Boehm and

von Buelow.

In order that no charge of American exuberance of statement may be laid, let us point out what importance hung upon American victory by quoting the words of two distinguished French Lieutenant Colonel the Count officers. de Chambrun, grand-nephew of LaFayette, and Captain de Marenches have written a book about the American Army in France entitled "L'Armée Americaine dans le Conflit Européen." In it they say: "Upon a line 40 kilometers long, from the environs of Fontenoy-sur-Aisne to those of Château-Thierry, the moving German front menaced Paris. The Xth French Army, facing the north part of the line, and the VIth Army facing the south part, opposed the march of the invader towards the region of Paris, which the long distance guns already were reaching and which the aviators bombed in the course of their night raids. are the circumstances under which the American Second Division was called to the honor (the word is written by our Allies in their operations reports) to deploy to the north of the Marne astride the national road from Paris to bar the way which led to the capital."

The Second Division was in the Chaumont-en-Vexin rest area north of Paris when summoned on Memorial Day to this post of honor. It rushed by trucks, driven by Annamites, through clouds of white lime dust, through panic-stricken Meaux, through La Ferte-sous-Jouarre with its crowds of fleeing refugees and straggling French soldiers,

across the long bridge and onward over the white roadway to Montreuil-aux-Lions where the division debussed for

The French line opposing the Germans was so thin it had to give way. It was retreating, but the retirement was slow. It was under orders. was not disorderly as has so often been pictured. When, for example, the First Battalion of Chasseurs passed through our lines only two officers and thirty-four men remained of the 600 who had entered the fight.

General Degoutte, the French corps commander, expressed his gratitude to General Bundy, commanding the Second Division, and after inquiring as to the condition of the men declared he would not send them into line until the next day if it could be avoided. It could not be avoided, however, for reports continued to arrive that the French were everywhere being driven back. The division advanced at once without waiting even for a hot meal.

On the 2nd of June the 55th Com-

pany, with the rest of the Second Battalion, Lieut. Col. Frederick M. Wise commanding, received orders to proceed through Marigny, north of the Paris-Metz road, about one and a half kilometers and take up position. These orders stated that the French at that point were being slowly driven to the rear, and pointed out that the line of resistance to be taken up must be held to the last—which is military direction to die at your post if you cannot hold it. A line was established from Hill 142

to the northeast corner of the Bois de Veuilly. The 55th Company was in the center, with the 51st on the right and the 43rd on the left. These comand the 43rd on the left. panies were commanded, respectively, by Capts. John Blanchfield, Lloyd W. Williams and Charles Dunbeck. The other officers of the 55th Company were First Lieut. Lemuel C. Shepherd (now captain and aide to Major General Lejeune) second in command; First Lieutenant Tillman, U. S. Army; First Lieutenant Linehan, U. S. Army; Second Lieut. Hascall F. Waterhouse and Second Lieut. Le Mar Lyle.

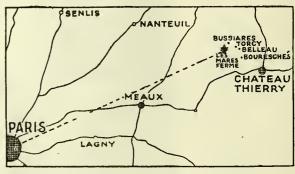
While the 55th Company halted in a wood just above the town of Champillon the officers went forward to reconnoiter the ground. It was then 4 Occasional o'clock in the afternoon. shells had dropped about the advancing troops but now, as the officers left the shelter of the woods they had in view

the full tide of war flowing towards Groups of haggard French soldiers, sweating in their heavy uniforms, and covered with grime, were falling back from cover to cover. Each group would fire a few rounds from a prone position, then make for another cover farther back, crouching or crawling and trailing their bayonettipped rifles.

Behind the farthest squads of retiring Frenchmen a wideflung billow of dust and smoke was rolling onward towards the American officers. This cloud was punctured at close intervals by bursts of flame that gave way momentarily to blacker puffs of smoke. Each explosion was accompanied by the loud roar of bursting shell. It was the German barrage. It crept up the Bussiares roadway and over the wheatfields, driving in the last thin line of French between Paris and the German invaders.

Captain Blanchfield and his officers watched the drama of war unfold before them for a few moments. questioned some of the French soldiers and learned there were no others behind them to stem the tide. Then the hind them to stem the tide. Americans turned and walked back to their command, and gave the orders to advance. They understood fully that advance. They understood luny that they were leading practically untried soldiers against the best shock troops Germany had, the élite that had been chosen to batter their way into Paris.

It is typical of those leathernecks that the way they chose to advance to-wards their enemy was on the run. Under the harassing conditions that faced them Captain Blanchfield took his men forward at the double and formed



Map showing Les Mares Farm in its relation to Paris, the Germans' goal

a line with its left resting on Les Mares Farm. Here they dug in.

All that night and the next morning the enemy shelled the 55th Company's position heavily. The men crouched in their hastily-dug shelter holes with only their rifles to oppose to cannon. A hundred yards in advance of the company's line was a small knoll that offered an excellent field of fire. About 5 o'clock on the afternoon of the next day, June 3d, Lieutenant Shepherd was ordered there with a patrol of ten men to hold it until the fire became too hot, when he was to fall back. Having stationed his patrol and reconnoitered the ground Lieutenant Shepherd, leaving a sergeant in charge, returned to report to Captain Blanchfield. While the two were talking in the trench they noticed that the German artillery fire had increased and that a rolling bar-(Continued on page 16)

How We Built Our Post Clubhouse

N this article a Pennsylvania post adjutant and a Washington post commander describe in detail how their posts built their clubhouses. In each case the writers begin with the bright idea and end with the finished building. Similar articles by post officials and interested members will be printed from time to time, and in each case the clubhouse plan followed by the post will be given in detail for the benefit of posts that lack homes.

A Buy-a-Brick Campaign That Produced Real Bricks

By John C. Hoffman Adjutant, York Post, York, Pa.

TORK POST of York, Pa., owns its own home, which is valued at \$65,000. The secret of the post's success is the selection of enthusiastic, hardworking officers and committees since its organization, a sound faith in the organization and the will to go ahead when odds seem insurmountable.

When the idea of owning its own home was first started the post had nothing in its treasury. When the time came to make a purchase available funds amounted to less than \$5,000, the proceeds of a show produced by the post. With unlimited nerve and faith in the members to back the project a committee made the purchase of a building at \$45,000, and when the time came to take title sufficient funds were on hand to pay cash. Since then improvements costing \$20,000 have been put on the structure and within three years there will be no debt.

The money to pay for the home was secured by means of a "Buy a Brick Campaign" in which "bricks" were sold to the public at a dollar each. The campaign was organized and prosecuted much the same as were Red Cross and other war time drives. Much care was

given to the organination of the work and it was all done in a few weeks.

There was a chairman, team captains and a treasurer. The team captains each appointed a certain number of lieutenants, who in turn had from five to ten workers. Lists were made of all the leading citizens and on these lists were given the approximate amounts each could afford to contribute in the pur-chase of bricks.

During the first week of the campaign the team cap-tains visited the big prospects and all otherworkerswerekeptoff. The captains made a whirlwind trip and met daily

at luncheon to report on the progress made. Each day there were reports in the newspapers in stories of which unusual

gifts were told.

At the end of the first week the shop committees got busy and bricks were sold in the manufacturing plants. When this was done, there were house-to-house visits

Then followed a free-forby wards.

Every one who contributed was given a certificate, a copy of which is shown herewith. The certificates were numbered and attached to stubs. Each worker was charged with the certificates in his possession by number and he was required to return the stubs setting forth the amount of the con-

tributions received.

During the free-for-all there were street demonstrations, band concerts, ers and the slogan "Get us out of the hole into a home," was used at every opportunity. At

The attractive home of York (Pa.) Post

in the basement of a building in the center of the city.

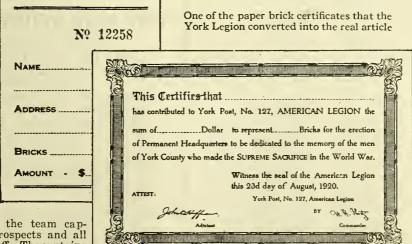
that time the post had its headquarters

The team captains during the first week secured eight contributions of \$1,000 each. At regular meetings of the post subscriptions to be paid in installments were secured from the members. The post held its second revue. which brought in nearly \$3,000, and the third revue, just successfully produced, will add nearly \$4,000 to the building fund.

When remodelling operations began arrangements were made with a local bank for call loans as money was needed, so that all bills were met as presented. When

presented. When bills were all paid the loans were lumped into one sum and converted into a mortgage. building committee was authorized to go into debt to the extent of \$20,000 but when its work was finished the sum was considerably less than \$17,000. All member

members of the building committee were men actively engaged in building operations. The general contract was carried out at cost of labor and material; the millwork was secured in the



architect gave his services without ments during social affairs. charge. The cost

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charge. The cost of the building and alterations is given as \$65,000 but if standard charges had been made it would have been a third again as much.

The post uses the first floor and basement. The three upper floors are rented as apartments, the return from which nearly covers the overhead. greater part of the first floor is occupied by a lounging room. At the rear of this room is an office for the adjutant, post finance officer and commander. Next to it is a canteen which last year did a business of \$12,000 gross and which pays for all of the hired help at the home.

In the basement, which covers a larger floor space than the first floor,

same way. The home was furnished by there are shower baths. There are his compensation ten percent over factory price as shown by invoices. The games and for the serving of refresh-

The post charges three dollars as an admission fee and three dollars a year as dues. There are no charges of any kind for other privileges, such as games and pool. A charge of ten cents to cover cost of soap and towel is made for the baths, which are supplied constantly with hot water.

The front of the building is modeled after the portico of the old city hall in New York City and is made of white Vermont marble. It it so designed as to form a loggia, on the side walls of which will be placed bronze tablets bearing the names of all York county men and women, nearly 200, who died in the war. The building stands as a memorial to these heroes.

ask the citizens of the community to finance a strictly American Legion clubhouse, inasmuch as the first-born principles of the organization were to foster and perpetuate Americanism among the citizens of the country, especially young America. Then came the idea that the monument the post was about to build to the memory of the first two Vancouver boys who gave their lives in defense of American ideals should include quarters for the post and a place of clean recreation and uplifting entertainment for all as

A local architect was employed, and the first plan submitted called for a frame structure similar to the local Salvation Army hut, at an estimated cost of \$40,000. The plan did not meet with the approval of a majority of the committee, nor did the business men who were consulted approve. More plans followed, each in turn being rejected until the circle plans callier for plans followed, each in turn being rejected, until the sixth plan, calling for an expenditure of nearly \$100,000, was finally adopted. When the plan was made public, the ultra-conservatives gasped. It couldn't be done. We were commended by the progressives and condemned by the tightwads. But after six months of careful study of the after six months of careful study of the situation, the committee decided to put their wits and energy to the severe

In the meantime, an option had been secured on the nearest unoccupied block to the business section. The block had been used for years as a dumping ground and was an eye-sore to resi-dents. Then came the problem of financing the scheme. At this stage, the executive committee had rounded itself into a well-oiled, high-geared machine, and, after much deliberation, decided on a finance plan. The post The post would issue twenty-year gold bonds in denominations of fifty, one hundred, and two hundred and fifty dollars each, bearing interest at the rate of five per-cent per annum. This action was followed by enlisting the services of thirty members of the post and Auxiliary as salesmen. Much publicity had been given the project weeks in advance through newspapers, billboards, circulars scattered from airplanes, talks in schools, etc. Three thousand copies of schools, etc. Three thousand copies of a neat booklet, including cuts of the building, plans for its operation, objects and necessity for such a place of recrea-(Continued on page 22)



This unbuckled galosh card has been sent to every young woman in Ladysmith, Wis., by Vinton Moore Post. It works

A Washington Post Builds Good Will Into Its Clubhouse

By Louis H. James

Commander, Smith-Reynolds Post, Vancouver, Wash.

VANCOUVER, Washington, is on the V Columbia River, one hundred miles from its mouth and eight miles north of Portland, Oregon. It has a population of nearly 12,000 and is one of the oldest cities in the Northwest, having been a trading post for the Hudson's Bay Company in 1823. Fort Vancouver was shortly afterward established and is today the site of Vancouver Barracks, once commanded by General Ulysess S. Grant, and the training camp for many of Uncle Sam's most famous regiments.

Until recent years, the town could hardly be considered one of the progressive group of cities which have characterized the Pacific Northwest for the past decade. When men of public spirit sought to promote better things for the town they were discouraged, and Vancouver soon became known as a hard nut to crack to those who could see the possibilities of the city's development with a little human energy behind it. A few years ago, however, the town began to come into its own with fine large school buildings, many miles of paved streets, new business blocks, and a steel bridge across the Columbia, replacing an old ferry, long inadequate for transportation. The war came and the town prospered.

In August, 1919, Smith-Reynolds Post was organized. A carnival was secured for a week and a sufficient amount realized to take over the club rooms of the War Camp Community Service. Just as many posts began their existence by staging dances, basketball games, and other kinds of entertainments, our post was no exception. But the more serious minds began working. From one to five children lost their lives yearly in the treacherous waters of the Columbia River and the citizens had long wanted

a swimming pool. If Smith-Reynolds Post was to become a community asset, something of a constructive nature would have to be planned. The object of many a mother's prayer—the fondest hope of many a child's dream — a swimming pool.

At the first meeting of the post in October, it was voted to make an effort to secure funds for the erection of a Legion memorial building, and the executive committee was given full power to act.

From the very first, it was deemed selfish and unwise to

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Ideas That Have Worked

SOME day we are going to write a piece about the sort of contributions we don't want. First we want to make plain what sort of contributions we do want. Those little letters "-n't" are so many drops of cold water down a man's back; the things we do want can be expressed in five letters that are so many electric shocks up a man's back. Count 'em, five: I-d-e-a-s.

But the ideas we want for this magazine, and especially for this department of it, must be more than just ideas. They must be ideas that have worked. The Kaiser had an idea and it didn't work. Robert Fulton had an idea that did work—it took two million of us to France. We suppose there are Legion posts that have ideas that don't work. But we know there are Legion posts that have ideas that do work.

The best way to show what we mean is to show it. Here are some samples of what we mean by worthwhile ideas that have worked—ideas that in some cases can be adopted by all, in every case by some posts. The Weekly does not print post news. It does print post ideas, and it prints them not as a favor to the posts that originated them, but for the sake of the 11,000 posts that may want to try the same ideas. Read and be wise:

Ridgefield Park (New Jersey) Post has had printed a quantity of leaflets on flag etiquette and distributes them at all patriotic gatherings in the town.

Members of Memphis (Tennessee)
Post give their cigar store coupons to

the post and will soon have enough for a flag.

Five-minute recesses are called during meetings of Charles A. Learned Post of Detroit during which every member present is urged to introduce himself to three other men with whom he is not acquainted.

A committee from James J. Goodfellow, Jr., Post of San Angelo, Texas, called on each of the town's ministers and urged them to devote their sermons on a specified Sunday morning to the subject of patriotism.

San Bernardino (California) Post published a pocket-size directory listing its officers, general post information and the names, addresses and military and naval units of all members. Local

advertisers made the booklet possible. Union Hill (New Jersey) Post entertained the children of the community, sending them home at 9.45 of a Saturday evening with their tummies full of cake and candy after letting them play with all the French, German and American helmets and other non-explosive equipment in the post's war museum. Prizes were awarded for recitations and

Partridge Post of Bunker Hill, Illinois, is conducting a membership campaign and will pay the best member-getter's railroad fare to the New Orleans convention.

A safe-deposit box in a local bank

has been turned over to Herbert Darling Post of Cincinnatus, New York, for the safe-keeping of members' discharge papers.

The motto in each of the above examples is not "See what we did" but "Go thou and do likewise." That's what we want—ideas like these, preferably with photographs or posters or handbills or booklets accompanying them, in which case we'll be glad to print a picture as well if the idea looks

One thing more. We won't repeat ideas if we can help it, as there are too

are generally unwilling to discuss the adventure except to say, "Don't let it happen to you, it's fierce!"

We are broadcasting this warning not

to frighten folks but to state an exact truth. To repeat: If your 1922 subscription card fails to reach the office of the Weekly by March 1st this is the last number of the magazine you will receive until you have paid up.

Legion Calendar

This is the last Weekly which delinquents will receive. The circulation axe falls March 1st.

Unemployment

In many places the ex-service employment problem is now at its worst.

Service Census

Show the eligible veteran that the Legion exists to serve him. It's one of the biggest things in sight.

Community Co-operation

What has your post done for your

many new ones in the Legion for us to have to double. And this brings us to the question of originality. We have already said we don't care who sets an idea going so long as somebody does. We may pass an idea on, crediting it to a post that got it from some other post. We are hard-boiled enough not to care. Our idea is to get over your idea, wherever you got it.

Last Call

NINETEEN-TWENTY-ONE Legion nembers whose 1922 subscription cards to the Weekly are not in the Circulation Manager's hands March 1st will be summarily dropped from the mailing list. Being dropped from a mailing list is one of the most hazardous experiences a man can bring on himself; the fall is often fatal to the victim's self-respect and never fails to dent it badly. The Circulation Manager means business, too; we found him converting part of his office into a casualty clearing station, and there were no carnations at the sides of the bunks either. Here and there around the Legion you will find prematurely old men who have been dropped from mailing lists in earlier years, but they

Service Census Plans

THERE are nearly sixty questions on the individual blanks prepared for use in the Legion's service and adjusted compensation census. isn't as bad as it sounds. Most of the sixty can be knocked down and dragged out without great muscular effort or waste of good lead pencil.

As this is being written most of the departments are waiting to receive the individual blanks, although dates for the campaign have been definitely fixed in at least ten States without regard for the arrival of the blanks. Early March seems to be the favorite period, with the tail-end of February appointed in case the blanks arrive in time to start that early. The task of printing the blanks will be an enormous one, and it is likely that they will be shipped out as soon as ready to the States which have already decided on definite dates for the campaign.

The service census means a lot of hard work, but if properly gone through with it will be highly effective work. One beauty of the plan is the fact that individual Legionnaires everywhere will be made responsible for duly assigned stretches of territory, so that if those territories are not covered it will be squarely up to the member to explain.

Making Jobs Grow

"EX-SERVICE men in general can rest assured that the Legion will do all that is possible to improve the position of the workless."

That stands for the U. S. A., although

the Legion referred to is the British Legion, and the quotation itself is taken from the last number of its official publication. The unemployment problem is not a local one, not even a national one. And wherever it exists, it is being stubbornly combatted by organized veterandom. It is a world-wide battle which will not be won until every unemployed ex-service man is restored to the ranks of the breadwinners.

In our own sector, these United States, it is safe to say that the first phase of the attack is concluded, and that it was successfully carried out. The problem has been brought home to the Legion and, in less degree, to the public. It is being attacked effectively on every front where General Depression gives evidence of strength.

Two months ago, for example, this (Continued on page 15)

The 'Phone That Tells the World

Words and Music Alike Now Go Broadcast by Wireless

By Roger William Riis

THE automobile, the airplane, the telephone, and the put-and-take top, among other things, have had to go through three stages before they were fully accepted. First they were viewed

with astonishment and used as interesting subjects of conversation, and people admitted with a shrug that they might be in general circulation some day. Then they were taken up by a few hundred fans who were tolerated by the rest of us. Lastly, they became universal, so that no gentleman's outfit is now complete without at least two of the four.

As a generation, we are wise in the ways of new propositions. The are even blasé. wireless telephone has come upon us without causing more than a passing gape and an occasional wide eye. Nevertheless the wireless telephone is on the verge of the third stage, that of universal adoption. We'll all see it before many more Christmases have gored

the pocketbook.

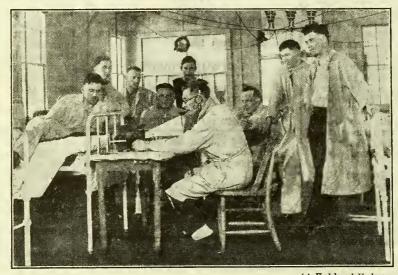
This article, then, is no tale of wonders. It an announcement. In social form:

Mr. and Mrs. Wireless Telegraph take pleasure in announcing the mar-riage of their daughter, Miss Radio Phone, to General Use.

And if you don't get there early, you'll get there late. The author does not sell radio telephones. He doesn't know an electrode from a cirrhosis. When he began this article he viewed the wireless telephone with a fishy eye, as something used in stunts only, for advertising purposes. This is what he found:

The uses of the radio telephone fall naturally into two divisions, serious and entertaining. Among the serious uses, the University of St. Louis sends out over a radius of 150 miles daily reports on livestock, grain, and provision markets. A firm in Berlin, Germany, has signed a contract to deliver nightly German opera to Christiania, Norway. German express trains, hotels and embassies are being equipped with it. One of the greatest American newspapers, the New York Times, has for two years had a radiophone outfit on its roof to expedite the arrival of news. It is used in mines to detect mineral deposits. A Copenhagen-Berlin and a London-Hague connection are about to be installed for commercial use. The fire chief in Trenton, New Jersey, has one on his automobile, so that he can at-tend fires and still keep in touch with headquarters. Sir Ernest Shackleton thought it worth while to give some of his scanty space to it on his last

THE radio bug has bitten the Legion along with the rest of the wire-In this article Mr. Riis describes the rapidly widening scope of the wire-test its future possibilities. Posts less telephone's adaptability and suggests its future possibilities. Posts which own receiving sets find in them a source of entertainment and have discovered that they make especially attractive gifts to men in hospitals. The National Commander recently sent a message broadcast to the posts of the Legion on the wireless 'phone.



(c) Kadel and Herbert

Disabled soldiers at Fox Hills (N. Y.) Hospital listening to church services over the radiophone

Antarctic trip. Political stump-speakers are planning to use it to cover a dozen halls and soap boxes simultaneously.

The entertaining uses appeal more to you and me. And they are many. There is an inevitable thrill in sitting down to a table in your own home, picking up a receiver, and hearing, at your choice, concerts, baseball scores, late news, election returns, race results, and what not-picking them out of the air, listening in on the world's whispering gallery. The University of Nebraska has been passing out material like this for several months. Four big broad-casting stations and over a hundred lesser ones are filling the air with it. Hotels, department stores, electric companies and ocean liners have sending

The Government finds it of value in many ways. Army posts send in daily reports to departmental headquarters; the Navy uses it from ship to ship and from ship to shore; the Department of Agriculture will soon send out its daily crop, market, and weather reports by radiophone instead of wireless telegraph, in order that every farmer with a receiving apparatus may listen in, instead of only those with telegraphic skill. The Forestry Service relies on it. The other day warning of a fire trav-

eled from outlook to station in four minutes by radiophone, where the telegraph would have required two days. The Post Office Department has sent a man to Europe to study what is best in Continental methods. Police departments in big cities have several times successfully spread criminal nets by its means.

But the most startling of the radiophone's uses occurred during the war, and that account is closely connected with the invention's development.
When I had got this far in my search, I began to lose my Missouri citizenship. The thing seemed to have arrived, and to have proved dependable in places where the old devices have been in-efficient. The next question was why, if question was why, if it's so good, we haven't had it before; and after that, what the thing is, anyway, and what it's going to do for you and me, if anything?

Fight years before the war, scientists were fiddling with it, but only experiment-

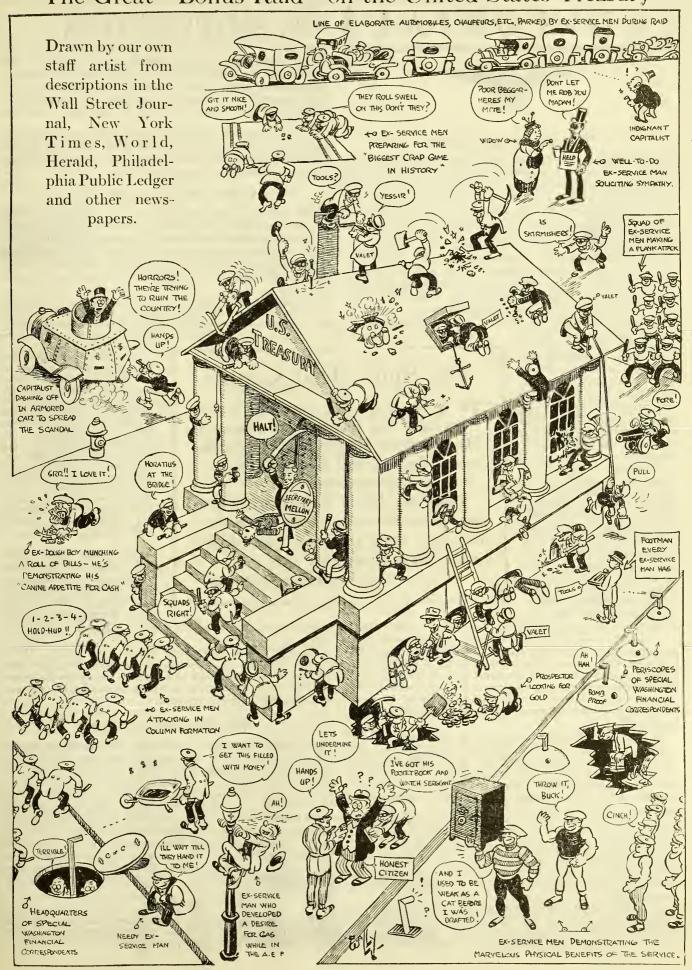
but only experiment-

ally. The wireless telephone came, of course, as a natural outgrowth of the wireless telegraph, just as the wire telephone grew from the wire telegraph. By August, 1915, it had reached a stage where it could send phonograph records from Washington to Panama, 2,100 miles; but the human voice failed at that distance. Two months later a voice speaking over the Arlington station was heard in Paris and Honolulu.

But still it was only a stunt. power needed was tremendous and the expense prohibitive. Then came the war. When we entered, it was put up to the United States Signal Corps that improvement was urgently needed on the telegraphic method of signalling artillery observations from airplane to battery; and on July 2, 1917, the wireless telephone was tested out successfully on planes two miles away. On December 2d of the same year, the success was extended to planes eight miles away, and not only were they heard perfectly by the battery, but they were heard gossiping together as they flew. After that there was no question; the

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The Great "Bonus Raid" on the United States Treasury



EDITORIAL



The Tactics of Despair

OUDER grows the beating of tom-toms in Washington by the lobbyists of selfish business who have been commissioned to defeat the Adjusted Compensation Bill at any cost. And while the clamor about the Capitol doubles, voices and commands echo from the forty-eight States as the big business associations try to drive their members by the goose step to the firing line against the Legion's bill. The Chamber of Commerce of the United States, the American Bankers' Association. the National Association of Manufacturers have ordered general mobilization. From Washington and Wall Street they are pushing the buttons which they hope will bring upon Congress a phonographic roar of remonstrance. They have urged their individual members in the cities and States to bring all the pressure possible upon Senators and Representatives to

make them vote against the bill. They are in carnest. They have abandoned the semblance of reason, willingness to see justice done and fair play. They now have only one aim, to kill the Adjusted Compensation Bill, and they consider, apparently, that any end justifies the

means.

Brokerage and banking houses with a national clientcle are sending broadcast personal letters beseeching their representatives and customers to protest to Congress and to rally all those whom they can influence to do the same. The tickers are clicking off the "work and fight" orders. The confidential news letters usually devoted to tips on the market are freighted

with appeals for emergency help to defeat the veterans' bill. Ordinary methods having proved ineffective, the interlocked opponents of the Adjusted Compensation Bill have been using tactics of desperation. The latest strategy is an organized movement among certain of the larger firms of the New York Stock Exchange to work up an array of fietitious sentiment by inducing—compelling, if necessary—their employes to write letters to Senators and Representatives and to President Harding himself.

A shameful example of such tactics recently came to light. A Stock Exchange firm employing more than 300 men and women assembled its workers in groups and notified them that each one was expected to prepare and submit to his department head four letters expressing disapproval of the Adjusted Compensation Bill. Two of these letters were to be addressed to the United States Senators of the State in which the employe lived. One was to be addressed to the Congressman reprecnting his district. The fourth was to be addressed to President Harding. Suggested forms to be followed in writing these letters were read to the workers. The ex-service men employes of this house were instructed to state that they were writing "as an ex-service man opposed" to the Adjusted Compensation Bill.

And—here is the most damning fact—all employes were instructed to deliver their letters in unsealed envelopes for the inspection of their employers who, it was explained, would themselves attend to the little detail of actually mailing the letters. They were told that the letters to Senators and Congressmen would be mailed immediately—those intended for President Harding would be held "until the proper time.

Just how many other concerns have adopted this system of letter writing under the lash, with dismissal the implied penalty for disobedience, cannot be learned at this moment. But it is more than a coincidence that recently, when a Washington correspondent quoted from a group of letters purporting to have been written by ex-service men opposed to compensation, almost all of the authors proved to be banking or brokerage

employes.

This strategy of selfish business's hard-fought retreat will only strengthen the Legion's cause in its clean fight for the adoption of a just bill. Every day it becomes clearer that the

Legion is fortunate in its chemies.

The Spirit That Counts

IT is the spirit that prompted a man

The American Legion, not the circum-

stances that followed his enlistment, over

There can be no distinction between

HANFORD MACNIDER

men who have offered their life to their

country. There's no comparative degree

which he had little control.

in an offer of all one has.

to enter the service that counts in

Cause for Congratulation

THE American Legion Weekly has, as a rule, refrained from commenting upon the actions of officials of The American Legion but a recent act of National Commander Hanford Mac-Nider was so important and so significant that we could not forbear to cheer. Before we had put our sentiments on paper, however, the Seattle Star did it for us. Said the Star in a boxed

Hanford MacNider, the Star takes off its hat to you because it seems to us you have shown the country you are a BIG MAN. You turned down an offer of Iowa's governor to appoint you United States Senator.

Your refusal is a corking fine American act. .

You, Hanford MacNider, had been entrusted with the highest office in The American Legion. If you had deserted it now for political preferment you would have made the Legion appear in the light of a political organization. . . . A weaker man in your place might have yielded.

You did the BIG thing. You turned down a Senatorship for which smaller mer would have paid a king's ransom in money and have mortgaged their souls. You "came clean.' Three or four million of your buddies understand and appreciate.

The Star might have added that the temptation was the greater because Hanford MacNider would have been the first veteran of the recent war to go to the United

States Senate and one of the youngest men ever sent to that

The offer was no sooner made than it was rejected. There was no indecision. It is National Commander MacNider now and not Senator MacNider and the man who bears that name and title has set a precedent in The American Legion, a precedent that will become a tradition.

War Records and Fire

AT the Kansas City Convention, The American Legion called attention to the country's happy-go-lucky policy which permits priceless governmental records to remain in inflammable buildings at Washington. The Legion went on record in favor of construction of a national archives building that would be proof against destruction. And now a fire has swept the roof of the Treasury Building, imperilling for a time plans for new hospital construction representing months of work. Government World War records still are stored in buildings not fireproof. There is an ever-present danger that the records of a million or so of us may be transformed into flame and smoke and ashes. It's a gamble that isn't worth

When Secretary Mellon on February 1st offered for sale \$400,000,000 in government notes, the subscriptions totalled \$1,250,000,000. Who said "hard-up"?

Interpreting Compensation—II

Vocational Training, Farm and Home Aid and Land Settlement

By Philip Von Blon



ROSS misrepresentation due to ignorance and just plain lying, in-spired by hostility, have marked the efforts of those opposed to the Ad-justed Compense Compensation Bill to prove that this measure is a "cash grab" or

'bonus steal" from the Treasury. Always they emphasize the "demand for cash." Seldom are they fair enough to mention that cash payment is only one of the five optional benefits provided for in the Legion's adjusted

compensation bill, and never do they admit the truth that this cash option is the least attractive of the five benefits proposed.

Typical of this misrepresenta-

tion is a letter purporting to have been written by an ex-service man which was quoted at length on the front page of a New York newspaper in a signed article by t it s Washington correspondent. This newspaper permitted its readers to be told that:

In a month's time this three billion dollars given to the soldiers will have followed in the wake of ali previous war appropriations.

The falsity and absurdity of this assumption would, of course, be recognized at once by every Legionnaire. But it is up to the Legion to see that the general public is not deceived by such statements. Everyone should know that the cash option is the least attractive of the five benefits offered and that, under the cash option, there would be no im-mediate distribution of an immense sum, but that, on the contrary, those who select cash would receive their money in quarterly payments, in most cases over a period of two and a half years.

In the article published in the last issue, the provisions and advantages of the first two options of the Adjusted Compensation Bill were explained. It was shown that the second option, the adjusted service certificate plan,

would be preferable to the cash option, except in the cases of men whose need of money is urgent. It was shown that the certificate option would give the man who accepted it a paid-up twentyyear endowment insurance policy with a face value of more than three times the amount he would receive if he were to select the cash option. Furthermore, it was shown that after two years a man could borrow on the security of his certificate a sum equal

to that which he would receive if he

took cash payments.
In last week's article it was stated that the three remaining options of the bill, vocational training, farm and home aid and land settlement, each possessed a special appeal for large possessed a special appeal for large numbers of men who would be expected not to take either cash or insurance. Let us see, now, what the provisions and advantages of these three options are. First, the vocational training option:

The bill as backed by the Legion states that the Veterans Bureau, upon proper certification,

. . . is hereby directed to pay to the veteran designated (if he is not receiving

for such veteran. Such payment shall be made without deduction for Sundays. holidays or vacations not exceeding two weeks in duration, or for absence for other cause which the board deems justifiable; but the total payment shall not exceed 140 per-



cent of the amount of the adjusted service pay which the veteran would be entitled to receive if he had chosen that plan.

Payments shall be made monthly, or at more frequent intervals, as the board may determine generally or in special cases.

The board shall establish such regulations as will insure the regular attendance of the veteran upon his course of training, and no sum or sums shall be payable unless the board has been furnished proof of such regular attendance. For each day of unjustifiable absence the vereran shall forfeit the sum payable for that day, and shall receive no reimbursement for it in any other

If the payment plus any amounts forfeited is less than 140 percent of the adjusted service pay, either by reason of the duration of the course approved, or by reason of the veteran's discontinuing, with the approval of the board, his attendance on his course of training, he shall be entitled to receive an amount equal to the difference between (1) his adjusted service pay and (2) that proportion thereof which the payments made or accrued, plus any amounts forfeited, bear to 140 percent of his adjusted service pay.

Other provisions under this option stipulate that if a veteran dies after applying for vocational training aid or while pursuing a course, his estate shall receive the amount of the adjusted service pay due him. It is also provided that in States which have provided educational assistance to veterans the Federal vocational aid may be given through co-operation with the state authorities.

Now it is easy to understand how this option would help thousands of men to enter or complete

professional and technical courses. Had the Legion's bill been passed sooner, the number of men to select this option would, of course, have been unusually large. If the bill had been made a law in 1919, for instance, it would have helped tens of thousands of men who were then taking up their high school and college courses where they had abandoned them to enter the service. Many ex-service men, too, because of (Continued on page 20)

The Vote of the Chambers

As this is written, two weeks prior to the close of the poll of the national Chamber of Commerce on the Adjusted Compensation Bill, posts in several dozen cities have reported endorsement of the Legion's bill by their local chambers. Many of these expressions of approval were unanimous. Not a single ballot against the measure was cast in the referendum of the Battle Creek, Mich., chamber, for example, where each of the five features of the proposed measure won approval. The following resolution, passed by the Oklahoma City Chamber of Commerce, was a unanimous expression:

We believe there is upon the country a just and legal, as well as an unquestioned moral obligation, to those who were called to arms in the World War; that our laws operated to create an unfair discrimination against the man who went to war; that in addition to the personal risk he assumed, he suffered a financial loss and a assumed, he surfered a financial loss and a depreciation, either temporary or permanent, of his earning powers; that in an endeavor to rectify the same, in part, adjusted compensation benefits should be provided; that such a measure wisely administered will tend to remove the economical handicap, provide wholesome opportunities for the ex-service men and create a better understanding and promote the general better understanding and promote the general well-being of the nation.

the benefits of the Vocational Rehabilitation Act) the sum of \$1.75 for each day of his attendance on a course of vocational training previously approved as suitable



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He Meant Well

In a certain house there dwells a maiden aunt who fancies that everyone's hand is against her, notwithstanding constant assurances to the contrary.

Not long ago the spinster, in a particularly disconsolate mood, said to the man

of the house:
"Well, Henry, I shall not be a burden and a nuisance to you much longer."
"See here, aunt," he replied immediately.
"You mustn't talk that way. You know very well you will."

Downright Fraud

"John, dear," began the bride tearfully, "breakfast is on the table

tearfully, "breaklast is on the table —but—but—isn't it just too annoying—look at that bread!"
"Why," exclaimed the bridegroom in surprise, "it isn't baked at all!"
"I know it isn't, dear, that's just it. And I p-p-put lots and l-l-lots of baking powder in it too."

Oh, Flooie, Flooie!

An instructor in English once re-

An instructor in English once received an examination paper which contained the sentence:

"At this time the Emperor hatched out a scheme."

"That's a fine sentence!" he exclaimed sarcastically. "Jones, you wrote this. Is that the best English you know?"

"It seems all right to

"It seems all right to me, sir," ventured the offender humbly.

"It does, eh? Do you think the Emperor was a hen? If not, how

could he have hatched out a scheme?"
"Well," ventured the pupil, "he
might have had his mind set upon it."

Remarkable, Wot?

"That gray-bearded old chap has really extraordinary memory, old bcan."

"How so, old mammal?"

"How so, old mammal?"
"He was just telling me of an odd incident of his youth, old mackerel. D'you know, he distinctly remembers a horse that was terrified by a motor car!"

For Pity's Sake

The U. S. S.—no matter, it was the U. S. S. something—was on its way to France. It was a rough night and the only persons visible on that part of the deck were Gubbins, the worst gob in the Navy, who was doing deck guard, and Lieutenant Commander Giblet, the gruffest and most generally unpopular lieutenant commander in any Navy. Suddenly there was a loud splash, as the ship gave a lurch, and no more lieutenant commander was to be seen.

splash, as the ship gave a lurch, and no more lieutenant commander was to be seen. Gubbins wrestled with his conscience for a moment, then gave up the struggle, dove in and grabbed his superior by the neck as he was going down for the third time. "Gubbins," gasped the latter, "I thank you. If we are rescued I shall do anything I possibly can for you." "Sir," answered Gubbins. "If it isn't asking too much, would you mind not telling the gang who it was that saved you? They'd half kill me."

Preparedness

An old country preacher in a small town in Mississippi was in the habit, in the middle of his discourse, of peeling off his coat and going at the devil and all his works in his shirt sleeves. One day a United States Senator attended the services and members of the congregation cautioned

their parson that it would be well to be a little more formal in view of the presence of their illustrious guest.

Nevertheless, the preacher, warming to his discourse, followed his regular practice. After the service one of his parishioners approached him and said:

approached him and said;
"I hate to seem to criticize, sir, but I reckon you must have forgotten we had a United States Senator with us today."
"Oh, no, I didn't," retorted the minister calmly, "but I don't believe he's as bad as they say he is, and anyway, I had my coat right side of me on a chair where I could have my eye on it every minute."



"You say this isn't the road to Mudville? Then that fellow down the line lied to me.'

"Hee-hee! How d'ye know he did? Mebbe it's me that's lyin'!"

A Needed Improvement

"If this here Burbank is as clever as folks claim he is," drawled Uncle Ike, "why didn't he cross insomnia with sleepin' sickness?"

Suggestions of a Doughboy

Being the
Suggestions of a Doughboy on the Manner
of Conducting the Next War, Together
with Certain Reflections on the Conduct of
the Last One.

12. That an enemy who will raid and bomb Nancy at a time when doughboys on leave from the front lines are in the city having a party, be declared as lacking in the instincts of a true gentleman and be hereafter designated in all military documents as the first sum of the second sec ments as a Big Bum.
(To be continued)

Romance

Our lips met. For a long, swooning eternity time and space were not. An elusive fragrance, sensuous as a moon-filled night east of Suez, held me in thrall. I drank deeply—ah, this was living!—then with a shudder of renugnance I draw healt

of repugnance I drew back.

My home brew was a failure.

The lip of the pitcher from which I had been drinking seemed to mock me.

Hitherto Unpublished

Sherlock and the faithful Watson were

Sherlock and the faithful Watson were strolling down Piccadilly.

"There's a woman in very short skirts just behind us, my dear doctor," murmured the great detective.

"Marvelous!" enthused Watson, after he had corroborated the statement by a glance behind. "How in the world did you ever know without turning your head?"

"Purely elementary, dear old fellow. I merely observed the faces of the people who are walking toward us."

Such an Odd World

In Chicago they tell of a fascinating young married woman who, in the absence of her husband, received much attention from an old admirer. One evening the latter ventured to

One evening the latter ventured to become reminiscent.

"Ah," he sighed, "If only you had married me instead of Babcock."

"Then I should have been with Mr. Babcock at this very moment instead of with you," answered the fascinating one. "How strangely things turn ing one. out!"

True Talk

It was during the impaneling of a jury in a New England town that the following colloquy occurred be-tween the magistrate and a talesman:

man:

"You are a property holder?"

"Yes, your honor."

"Married or single?"

"I have been married for five years, your honor."

"Have you formed or expressed any opinion?"

"Not for five years, your honor."

Expert Criticism

Prof.'s Wife: "How do you like my new hat?"
Prof. (frowning at the flowers on the brim): "Dreadful, my dear. The Convallaria Mojalis never has more than six stamens. These have at least fifteen."

Just Like That

"What do you think is the cause of so many unhappy marriages?" "Too many people are married before they get sense enough to stay single."

His Natural Place

On one of our cruisers there is a certain officer whose mania for inspections and visitofficer whose mania for inspections and visiting other folks' quarters at unseemly times has reached such a point as to make him heartily hated by those of the crew who possess a tastc and talent for the rollicking dominoes after official retiring hours. It was following one of these visitations that one gob gloomed after the intruder and remarked:

"I betcha my next month's pay that

"I betcha my next month's pay that when old Bugler Gabriel toots reveille for the general resurrection, he'll find that guy crawlin' out of somebody else's grave."

Forehanded

(Extract from letter received by Indiana Department Headquarters of The Ameri-Legion.)

"One of our members has not been receiv ing his copy of The American Legion Weekly for several weeks. Please have his address changed on the mailing list to Mr. —, c/o Crown Hill Cemetery."

Keeping Step with the Legion

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magazine recorded the fact that Legion posts in Lincoln, Nebraska, were finding places for ex-service men as night watchmen. The idea has developed so successfully that Department Adjutant Frank B. O'Connell is now urging its adoption in other departments. Fiftyfive men have been engaged as special police under the Lincoln plan, residents along each beat agreeing to pay two dollars a month for this service. Mr. O'Connell explains the operation of the plan further as follows:

These men report to the police station every hour. A motorcycle officer is held in readiness at all times and if a man fails to report within ten or fifteen minutes of his designated time at any period of the night, the officer immediately investigates. The men report for duty at eight p.m. and are dismissed at six a.m. They all carry heavy revolvers.

This plan has received the unanimous endorsement of the Rotary Club of Lincoln, as well as of the Chamber of Commerce. Both bodies made a thorough investigation

of the plan.

The success of the plan depends a great deal on getting a public-spirited citizen at the head of the committee in charge cf it. This man must devote considerable time to the undertaking. He should be a man of such standing that he can get the endorsement of all the business interests, which will greatly help in putting the project over.

Care should also be taken in dividing the city into districts, taking into consideration the character of the homes and people. Some of our districts are divided three blocks by three blocks; others three by four, while some are two blocks by six

blocks.

The easiest way to place an unem-The easiest way to place an unemployed veteran is, of course, to get him into a vacancy that already exists. The difficulty is that such vacancies are all too few. The next step is to make a vacancy, to create a job. That is what the Lincoln plan does. Whether or not it can be adapted successfully to many other communities, certainly the idea behind it can. That idea is, "If we can't find a job for you, buddy, we'll make one for you."

WHEN we had finished reading from the official magazine of the British Legion the account of the un-employed problem in Great Britain, from which we lifted a sentence to start this week's discussion of unemployment with, we took a look through the rest of the paper. We found some highly interesting material in it, but nothing that appealed to us so much as one advertisement. Here it is (remember that club secretary is British for post adjutant):

Glass and bar fittings. Club secretaries please note. I supply everything you require for your club—glass mugs, jugs, tumblers, goblets, spirit ponies, etc., in all sizes; glass, china and stoneware spirit kegs; patent nickel-plated spirit taps and measures; optic measuring taps; bar fittings, beer engines, bar tables.

Guess they don't have to send around any M. P.'s to get the boys out to post meetings in England.

FORTUNES GOING BEGGING

Photoplay producers ready to pay big sums for Scenarios but can't get them. One big corporation offers a novel test which is open to anyone without charge. Send for the Van Loan Questionnaire and test yourself in your own home.

THESE are the leaders behind the

They form the Advisory Council of

the Palmer Photoplay Corporation.

Thomas H. Ince Thomas H. Ince Studios

C. Gardner Sullivan Author and Producer

Allan Dwan Productions

PALMER PHOTOPLAY Corporation, Department of Education,

Lois Weber Productions, Inc.

Rob Wagner Author and Screen Authority

James R. Quirk
Editor and Publisher Photoplay Magazine

Frank E. Woods
Chlef Supervising Direction Francis Players-Lasky Corp.

Rex Ingram
Director of "The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse"

search for screen writing talent.

Director

SHORT time ago a Utah ex-service man received a handsome check for a motion picture scenario. Six months before he had never had the remotest idea of writing for the screen. He did not seek the opportunity. It was thrust on bim. He was literally hunted out by a photoplay corporation which is combing the country for men and women with story-telling ability.

This single incident gives some idea of the desperate situation of the motion picture companies. With millions of capital to work with; with magnificent mechanical equipment, the industry is in changer of complete paralysis because the public de-

mands better stories-and; the number of people who can write those stories are only a handful. It ! is no longer a case of inviting new writers; the motion picture industry is literally reaching out in every direction. It offers to every intelligent man and woman-to youthe home test which revealed unsuspected talent in this Utah ex-soldier. And it has a fortune to give you if you succeed.

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The "Bloody Angle" of the A. E. F.

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rage was advancing towards the out-

post.
"Don't you think I'd better go back and look after that outpost?" Lieutenant Shepherd asked.

Blanchfield, occupied with seeing that his company was sheltered as much as possible from the advancing barrage, jerked a glance over his shoulder, scarcely looking at the waiting lieutenant.

"Yes," he snapped out.

Perhaps he had not noted that the barrage already had reached the outpost and now was rolling over the wheat-field between the outpost and trench. But Shepherd had seen what was happening and he realized that to reach his mer he would have to walk through the curtain of exploding steel. He nodded

"Let's go," he said casually and the two started out. Neither ever knew how he got through but they both somehow escaped death in the inferno and reached the little outpost unscathed. The two men, a bit shaken no doubt by their close-up view of death, dropped into fox holes alongside the others. But they were not to be given any time to

consider their late experience.
"There come the Boches," sang out
the sergeant and looking out from their holes the group could see the first of the German assault waves advancing. A few scouts were in the fore, then the first line in very open formation. The first line in very open formation. Marines had been taught to shoot and now their long training at the butts showed results. Firing from a rest, each man choosing his target and shooting with perfect steadiness and coolness. they picked off the advanced scouts and began dropping Germans in the first assault wave. This was a new kind of rifle fire on the Western Front and the Germans recognized it by halting their advance.

The pause was not for long, however. Within a few moments after the enemy line halted, the rattle of machine guns was heard from the neighboring Bois des Mares and a hail of bullets fell upon The men burthe outpost position. rowed into their shallow holes but could not entirely shelter themselves. Cries of pain gave notice that some of the bullets were finding their marks. Several men were wounded. The German machine gun fire was so intense that it was impossible to reply. Under these conditions Lieutenant Shepherd gave the order to fall back as soon as dark-That ness made withdrawal possible. night the little patrol crept back to the first line trench, carrying their wounded

Meanwhile the question of rations was beginning to trouble the entire battalion.

The Marines had gone into battle so hurriedly that their kitchens had been left behind and they now had only their emergency rations. Even these had begun to run out and the men were thrown upon their own resources. lone calf had been left behind when the occupants of Les Mares Farm had joined the flood of refugees that choked all the roads leading south and westahead of the moving German front. This calf fell before a Marine bullet the first night, and the men of the 55th Company dined on yeal steak. The Company dined on veal steak.

farm was stocked with rabbits and in the intervals between killing Germans the Marines took to killing rabbits. With these, and the fowls and eggs they found about the farm, the vegetables from the garden and the wine from the farmhouse "cave" they kept themselves well fed throughout the four days of fighting. They foraged as well as they fighting. They foraged as well as they fought. But the foraging and cooking was done, not in the intervals of fightwas done, not in the intervals of light-ing, but simultaneously, for when the German infantry was not attacking their artillery was pounding the Marines' position.

After the repulse of the German at-

tack by Lieutenant Shepherd's outpost the enemy organized a heavier assault upon Les Mares Farm itself. There was a gap of some 500 yards between the left of the 55th Company at the farm and the right of the 43rd Company in Veuilly Wood, with a wheatfield in-tervening. To fill that gap and prevent the Germans from infiltrating, part of a platoon was brought up from the right and thrown in. When the more for-midable German assault started the Marines were still without machine guns. As the gray waves approached the Marines took positions in windows and doorways of the farm buildings and at breaches made by shells in the wall that surrounded the farm. From these positions they aimed and fired as coolly as if at practice, and so accurately that not a single German got within 100 yards of the buildings.

It was like the old Indian fighting of frontier days when little groups in besieged log forts withstood outnumbering forces of attackers with the deadly aim of their rifles. During this attack Gunnery Sgt. Herman (Babe) Tharau, who later was killed in the Marbache sector, displayed his own bravery and greatly encouraged his men by coolly walking about where bullets flew thickest giving the range as the advancing enemy lines drew closer. The first two German waves made repeated efforts to rush the buildings, but each time when they came within range of the Marine rifles the number of men dropping dead or wounded in their ranks forced them to turn back and re-form outside the field of fire. The third line of the enemy, evidently discouraged by the losses among their comrades, withdrew without attempting to make the assault. Machine gun fire, however, was kept up until dark.

During the night a detachment of Headquarters Company came up with several machine guns, which added greatly to the strength of the Marines' position. With these the Germans were beaten off completely, withdrawing their own machine guns from range. Their artillery, however, laid a heavy fire on the farm all the night of the 3d, causing some casualties and setting one building on fire. The enemy artillery finally was silenced, when our own artillery arrived in position and opened a lively fire on all the German positions. The American artillery fire continued all of the following day, June 4th, thus giving the hard-pressed Marines of the Second Battalion a little rest from the continuous fighting they had been engaged in for 36 hours.

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Fearing from the intensity of the fire that his comrades might have gotten into a hot hole Gunnery Sgt. David L. Buford (later killed at Belleau Wood), took two other men and went out to render what assistance he could. He found Dockx and his three companions engaged in a desperate encounter. The Germans were firing with machine guns and rifles, and flinging hand grenades. The four Americans were replying with their automatics and had already dropped several of the enemy when Buford came up. When the American fire was reinforced by the arrival of the Buford party the Germans began to give The attackers could see them runway. The attackers could see them run-ning back, singly and in groups, across a cleared patch in the field. Buford was an "old timer" and a wonderful shot. Planting himself with his automatic where he had a clear view of the open space he waited for the retiring Germans to make their breaks for safety. Each time he fired a German fell. He killed seven single-handed in that engagement.

Only the machine gun crews now remained to be dealt with, so the little group of seven Americans closed in on them and after a cautious approach rushed the guns. In the final rush Corporal Dockx and one other man were killed, but the guns were taken and along with them the only members of the gun crews who were still alive. the prisoners were wounded and of the original German squad of 30 men only five reached their lines in safety.

That was the last effort the Germans made to force their way towards Paris at Les Mares Farm. It was the "sharp point of the dagger" spoken of by Major McClellan and it had failed to penetrate the defense of the 55th Company, Second Battalion, Fifth Regiment of Marines. There was no fighting at the farm on June 5th and early in the morning of June 6th the Second Battalion was relieved by a French force. Later that day Captain Blanchfield, who had so gallantly commanded the 55th Company throughout the fight, was killed by a stray shell while walking along the roadway. He received, posthumously, the D.S.C. and the Navy Cross.

Lieutenant Shepherd, who was wounded in the neck on June 3d, but had refused to go to the rear, received the D.S.C., Navy Cross and Croix de Guerre.

Gunnery Sergeant Buford was awarded the D.S.C., Navy Cross and Croix de Guerre; Gunnery Sergeant Tharau received the Croix de Guerre.

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The 'Phone That Tells the World

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Government ordered apparatus in large quantities.

All during that time the German fleet was lying peacefully at Kiel. Its warships were fitted out with buzzers that were intended to work only around the harbor, over a mile or two. But the British perfected an amplifier that reached clear from London to Kiel and picked these confidential messages out of the air. Thereafter a peaceful Briton sat and listened in on all the gossip and plans of the German fleet.

After the war, you will remember, President Wilson went to Paris. The George Washington was equipped with a wireless telephone mechanism, and on the last trip Mr. Wilson held conversation with Secretary Daniels all the way back, beginning at Brest. Mr. Daniels sat at his desk in Washington, and talked over an ordinary telephone via

New Brunswick, New Jersey, to Brest.
But while the thing was developed
under forced draft of war emergency. government control of many things crippled its popular development. Since the war industry has gone after the radiophone vigorously, with the result that at last big sending stations have been built to broadcast stuff, and the apparatus to receive that stuff has been brought within reach of the average purse.

Briefly, the principle of the wireless telephone is this: Electro-magnetic waves are snapped through space from a spark gap, via antennæ, to any receiving apparatus that happens to be open. The waves are exactly like the waves caused when you wiggle a stick in a pond. Just as the water waves will move another stick across the pond, so the electric waves, traveling at 186,-000 miles a second, affect the receiving apparatus. The spark gap creates the waves, and the antennæ act as the springboard from which they leap into space.

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There are still matters like interference from static electrical conditions drawbacks, but they will surely be cleared up by the rapidly appearing improvements. So, for that matter, may be the question of secrecy and the selection of a desired party. But as yet tion of a desired party. But as yet the uses of the radiophone are confined to cases where secrecy and great reliability are not imperative.

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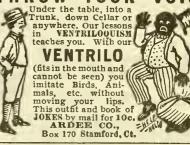
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Interpreting Compensation—II.

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after-the-war conditions, were unable to resume their interrupted courses, and the passage of the law now will directly assist these men.

The average age of ex-service men is still low enough to justify the expectation that a very large number will choose to take courses which will fit them for their life's work. Men engaged in highly specialized trades and industries, such as the electrical, chemical and motor branches, would be enabled to take courses that would advance them further and faster than if their progress were only in pace with the practical experience they acquired.

The fact that the Knights of Columbus and the Y. M. C. A. correspondence schools and private correspondence schools are enrolling thousands of veterans at this time, more than three years after the war, and the fact that many, many more veterans are taking part-time courses in special vocational schools and night schools prove that the need for the vocational option ex-A large percentage of the men ists. now taking courses are handicapped by shortage of funds. Many other veterans have been unable to take up courses because of their inability to pay for them.

The vocational option is a strong

proof of the practicality and common sense upon which the whole adjusted compensation bill is based. These are characteristics which also stand out in the next option, that offering aid in acquiring or improving a farm or a home. This option provides:

The Secretary of the Interior, upon certification . . . is hereby directed . . pay to the veteran designated therein, in one payment or in installments, an amount equal to his adjusted service pay increased by 40 percent. Such payment shall be made for the purpose of, and only for the purpose of, enabling the veteran to make improvements on a city or suburban home, or a farm not selected under the Land Settlement Option, or to purchase or make payments on such a home or farm.

No such payment shall be made unless and until the Secretary of the Interior has approved the purpose for which it is desired by the veteran, and has suitable assurance that the money will be expended for that purpose. The Secretary of the Interior may, at the option of the veteran, or on his own motion, make the payment directly to the vendor or other person to whom payment is due from the veteran. For the purpose of enabling him to pass upon the desirability of the investment he may make use of the services of the land bank appraisers of the Federal Farm Loan Board, to be designated by such board.

This option obviously would be a favorite choice, and it is considered reasonably certain that from a half million to a million men would seek this aid. One needs only to estimate the number of veterans who have given mortgages on homes or farms they have acquired since the Armistice, those who are getting farms and homes on the instalment plan and those who have bought building lots in the expectation of erecting a home. Add to these the vast numbers of veterans who helplessly watch a disproportionate share of their income swallowed up by monthly rent bills and are only waiting for the pas-sage of the compensation bill to embark

on home-building plans.

This option would immediately increase the number of marriages among ex-service men. Even casual inquiry in any community will reveal numbers of ex-service men who remain unmarried simply because they never have been able to overcome the financial handicap which originated with their war service and was aggravated by after-the-war business and industrial

depression.

Ît can be taken for granted that in most cases the sums veterans would receive under this home and farm aid option would be sufficient to make a substantial first payment on any property acquired. The nation would benefit greatly by the creation of a great class of new property owners, and the activity in building that would proceed from the compensation payments would be reflected in all lines of business and might prove just the impetus needed for a revival of conditions generally.

The final option of the bill, the land settlement option, is rather closely related to the farm and home aid option. Its distinctive purpose, however, would be to establish ex-service men on the tracts of government land which may be reclaimed to adapt it for cultivation. It is estimated that only 20,000,000 acres of the several hundred million acres of public lands which still remain is suitable for reclamation, and considerable time and effort would be required to make this land available for settlement. As this is written, uncertainty exists as to this feature of the compensation bill, and it may be considered in various forms by Congress.

Originally it had been intended to establish colonization projects on which ex-service men might be employed, these men later to be given first choice of the farm tracts made available in the developments. This plan also carried loan features by which ex-service men settlers would be advanced sufficient funds to provide buildings, fences, farm machinery and other necessities the loans to be repaid over a long period. The Senate Finance Committee eliminated this proposal from the bill last summer, but an effort would have been made to have it restored by the Senate had the bill not been recommitted.

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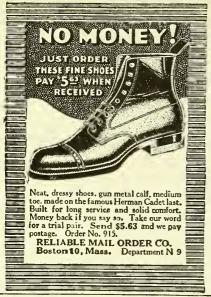
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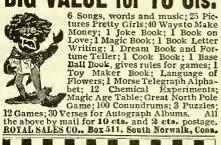
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Such payment shall be made for the purpose, and only for the purpose, of enabling the veteran to make payment in connection with the lands as to which preference is given under this section, or for the improvement of any such land, and shall be made only if the Secretary of the Interior has suitable assurance that the money will be expended for such purpose.

It is scarcely necessary to cite the proofs that a large number of men are waiting to avail themselves of some such option. Everybody recalls that during the demobilization days when the Government was distributing its glowing land-settlement prospectus with the alluring title, "Hey, Buddie, Do You Want A Farm?" more than 200,000 service men said yes emphatically. That number of men signed application cards in the hope that the Government intended soon to carry out the promises contained in the booklet distributed in the camps in France and at home and on the homecoming transports. Most of us will also recall that at recent land openings the number

of prospective ex-service settlers has greatly exceeded the number of tracts available, in some instances in the ratio of 15 to 1. Once Uncle Sam gives the word that government lands are available and that he is ready to give his ex-soldier and ex-sailor settlers the funds they need to establish themselves, the applications will come from every part of the country. Canada's experience is to the point. Of the 590,000 men she sent into the war, more than 25,000 have already been placed on government lands under a loan and subsidy system, and an additional 25,000 are on the way to obtaining government farms.

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How We Built Our Post Clubhouse

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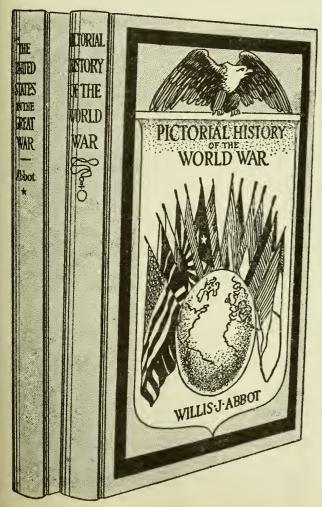
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